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## 24-HOUR REPORT

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### **(U) CALIFORNIA**

#### **(U) Los Angeles – Unusual Cyber Incident Interrupted Western US Grid Network**

(U) A “cyber event” on 5 March disrupted grid operations in California, Utah, and Wyoming, according to a report posted by the Department of Energy. The incident was caused by unauthorized access to hardware, software or data and lasted from about 9 a.m. until nearly 7 p.m. While it is still unknown if the attack was triggered by remote hackers, a cyberattack that successfully disrupted the flow of electricity on the power grid would be unprecedented in the United States.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [E&E News](#)

#### **(U) Los Angeles – New California Measles Cases Involve Travelers**

(U) Two people who returned to Southern California from overseas were infected with measles, health officials said Tuesday. Orange County's first measles case of 2019 involved a woman in her 20's who recently returned from abroad. The latest case in Los Angeles County involves someone who arrived on 23 April at the Los Angeles International Airport. The unidentified person is the sixth LA County resident to contract measles so far this year and one of more than 700 nationwide. No quarantines were announced in the latest cases, but officials warned that people who were in the Los Angeles airport's international terminal or a nearby parking area may have come in contact with the infected person.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [SF Gate](#)

### **(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER**

#### **(U) California – DHS Partners Arrest 43 People in Three Separate Maritime Events**

(U) San Diego – US Border Patrol agents arrested 43 people who attempted to enter the US illegally by boat on Sunday in three separate encounters. The first event began at approximately 1:40 p.m. when a United States Coast Guard (USCG) cutter encountered a vessel with 17 subjects onboard approximately one nautical mile west of Point Loma, California. The last event occurred at approximately 5 p.m. when CBP agents interdicted a 27-foot Sea Ray with 10 people onboard approximately 3 miles west of Point Loma. A total of 38 men and five women were detained.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [CBP](#)

#### **(U) New Mexico – US Border Patrol Agents Apprehend Two Large Groups of Illegal Immigrants**

(U) Sunland Park – US Border Patrol agents working in New Mexico apprehended several large groups between midnight and sunrise on Tuesday. Just after midnight, Border Patrol agents took 424 illegal immigrants into custody in the Sunland Park area. Meanwhile, agents working at the Antelope Wells Port of Entry arrested a large group of 230 illegal aliens around 2 a.m. Both groups were comprised primarily of Central American families and unaccompanied juveniles.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [CBP](#)

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**(U) NATIONAL****(U) Ohio – Ransomware Attack Disables Cleveland Airport**

(U) Cleveland – Authorities confirmed technical problems at the Cleveland Hopkins International Airport that interrupted flight and baggage claim information screens last week was related to a ransomware attack. The FBI said Monday that ransomware was found on the network, but the city did not consider making any payments. It also confirmed the problem caused the information screens at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport to be disabled, but it did not affect the airport's security and operations systems.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [AP](#)

**(U) New York – Anti-Semitic Assaults More Than Doubled in the US in 2018**

(U) New York City – According to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), the US Jewish community experienced near-historic levels of anti-Semitism in 2018. Released yesterday, ADL's annual audit of anti-Semitic incidents recorded a total of 1,879 attacks against Jews and Jewish institutions across the country in 2018, the third highest year on record since ADL began tracking such data in the 1970's. Of all incidents of anti-Semitism, terrorism, and extremism from 2018 to 2019, ADL classified only six as springing from "left-wing" or "Islamist" ideology, while 1,794 were classified as "right wing (anti-government, white supremacist, or other)."

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [NBC](#)

**(U) North Carolina – Two Dead and Four Injured in North Carolina Campus Shooting**

(U) Charlotte – A man armed with a pistol opened fire on students at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte during the last day of classes Tuesday, killing two people and wounding four, police said. Officers who had gathered ahead of a campus concert raced over and disarmed the suspect. The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department identified the suspect as Trystan Andrew Terrell, 22, who is in custody with charges pending.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [AP](#)

**(U) INTERNATIONAL****(U) China – Canadian Sentenced to Death for Drug Offences**

(U) Beijing – A Chinese court sentenced Fan Wei, a Canadian national, to death on Tuesday for leading a scheme to produce and traffic methamphetamine. The court also issued judgments against nine other people, including one American and four Mexican nationals. However, it did not specify what sentences five of the nine received, though it indicated the minimum sentence was life in prison. Fan is the second Canadian to be sentenced to death for drug offences in China this year.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [Reuters](#)

**(U) India – Landmine Targets Police in Maharashtra State**

(U) Maharashtra – Suspected Maoist rebels detonated a roadside bomb in Maharashtra as two security vehicles were passing by. One civilian driver and 15 Indian police commandos were killed in the attack. Authorities stated that they believed the attack was carried out because officials succeeded in holding elections that the rebels had boycotted in the area last month.

SOURCE: 1 May 2019, [Daily Sabah](#)

**(U) Nigeria – Suspected Boko Haram Attack on Nigerian Village Kills 25**

(U) Maiduguri – Suspected Boko Haram extremists attacked a village in northeastern Nigeria, killing at least 25 people who had just returned home from a wedding. Relatives of the victims said attackers

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went from house to house, and many people could not escape because the shooting came from all directions. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack. However, Boko Haram is known to attack villages in the area.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [AP](#)

**(U) Russia – Security Officers Disrupt ISIS Cell in Moscow**

(U) Moscow – Russia's Federal Security Service (FSB) reported that it disrupted a clandestine cell of the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS) operating in Moscow. Officers arrested seven individuals in connection with the operation and seized a variety of firearms, ammunition, communication devices, and extremist literature. Russian authorities stated that the cell was working to develop contacts in the region for recruitment and to carry out armed assaults in various regions across Russia.

SOURCE: 30 April 2019, [TASS](#)

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